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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS SECRETARY

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: MESSAGE TO GARBA

REF : STATE 218656

1. AT GARBA'S REQUEST, I TOOK SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO HIM THIS MORNING AT DODAN BARRACKS WHERE I FOUND HIM ON POINT OF JOINING PRESIDENT TOLBERT FOR HELICOPTER SHUTTLE TO AIRPORT. GARBA REACTED WARMLY TO POSSIBILITY OF VISIT. NOTING SECRETARY'S REFERENCE TO "LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER," GARBA SAID HE HAD BEEN PLANNING LEAVE LAGOS FOR UNGA SEPTEMBER 25. THIS WAS THE ONLY POSSIBLE COMPLICATION HE FORESAW IN WORKING OUT MUTUALLY CONVENIENT DATE. GARBA SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO OBTAIN HEAD OF STATE OBASANJO'S CONCURRENCE BEFORE
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HE COULD GIVE US AN OFFICIAL GREENLIGHT, BUT HE HOPED TO

BE ABLE TO PROVIDE US WITH FMG'S AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE
"VERY SOON."

2. COMMENT: GIVEN ONGOING INSECURITIES AND RIVALRIES WITHIN
THE NIGERIAN SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL, I DOUBT OBASANJO WILL
FEEL HIMSELF FREE TO MAKE THIS DECISION ON HIS OWN AUTHORITY.
I AM CONFIDENT THAT BOTH GARBA AND OBASANJO ARE IN FAVOR OF THE
VISIT AND THAT THE SMC WILL GIVE ITS APPROVAL, BUT THEY WILL
HAVE TO GO THROUGH CERTAIN MOTIONS FIRST. THIS, COUPLED WITH
GARBA'S DEPARTURE THIS MORNING FOR FOUR-DAY VISIT TO SENEGAL,
MEANS WE MAY HAVE TO WAIT SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE WE GET A FIRM FMG
REPLY.

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